

5. CLERK'S REPORT

Cllr Kramm would like to formalise the draft Management Plan for the area around the balancing pond in order that we can start to work with CYC to put this in place. CYC will remain responsible for the land around the path. Cllr Mrs Taylor stated that the Scouts would be willing to help with delivering the Plan, but clearly some instruction and supervision will be necessary. The encouragement of wildlife, and planting of wild flowers, will be important. Cllr Kramm PROPOSED that the revised Plan be adopted and that the Scouts and other volunteers be asked to become involved. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Taylor. ALL IN FAVOUR.

Cllr Mrs
Taylor

A foil collection box will be added to the recycling facilities outside Howell Hall. Cllr Auton

6. ACTION REVIEW

All matters will be raised elsewhere on the Agenda.

7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The monthly Report has been circulated.

b) Roads and Footpaths

Cllr Auton has re-issued the map of the village and asks that members report back on any problems in their own area in time for the February meeting. It is noted that there are problems with overgrowing hedges on properties in Ploughmans Close, Barons Crescent and Dykes Lane and the Clerk will write to the owners of the relevant houses.

Clerk

c) Finance

The minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 1st December had been circulated. Applications for grant aid were discussed and the Committee seeks ratification of its RECOMMENDATIONS to award grants to:

1st Copmanthorpe Brownies - £700
Copmanthorpe Cricket Club - £600
Copmanthorpe Art Exhibition - £400

Churches Together in Copmanthorpe had applied for a grant of £2,500.

However subsequently a grant of £500 has been received from the Archbishop's Fund, and Cllr Carr has offered a grant of £1,000 from his Ward budget, so the grant from the Parish Council will be only £1,000.

An application for £2,500 from Panda Playgroup was also discussed, and a meeting with them is being sought in order to ascertain how best the Parish Council can help . They have also applied for assistance from CYC.

Come4Lunch are still holding part of the grant received last year, and it was AGREED that this should be spent on additional cleaning of the Howell Hall, to the benefit of all users of that facility.

Cllr Duffy PROPOSED that these grants be APPROVED and that, as a one off this year, the deadline for grant applications be extended to the end of March 2021. SECONDED by Cllr Whitfield. ALL IN FAVOUR.

8. RAILWAY BRIDGE

The artwork on the railway bridge has, unexpectedly, been carried out by a professional artist on behalf of Network Rail. The Parish Council had previously been in contact with them when a younger resident of the village suggested that this might be a good idea. It would have been good to have some consultation on the design, and to have had the opportunity of telling residents what was happening. The painting should be complete by the end of this week, and will then receive an anti-graffiti coating. . However our original intention, to involve children from the School, would have been quite difficult to organise safely.

9. EBOR WAY SIGNAGE

Cllr Auton has circulated details of proposed new signage to mark the route of the Ebor Way through the village, and PROPOSED that these should now be purchased. SECONDED by Cllr Kramm. ALL IN FAVOUR. Cllr Auton

10. DISTURBANCE BY STUDENTS

A resident of Manor Heath has been suffering from anti-social behaviour and damage to his hedge. He has been in contact with the College, but to no avail, and has reported the incident to the police via the 101 phone number. Through the Newsletter, we will encourage residents to report such incidents to the police in this way. The Clerk will also write to the College. Clerk

11. COPMANTHORPE WARD

Cllr Carr had carried out a highways inspection, with CYC engineers, and various areas were pointed out as requiring attention. Costings will be needed and priorities established before any work can be done.

The proposed devolution arrangements are still under discussion.

Panda Playgroup have approached Cllr Carr for a grant, which he will discuss further with them before reaching a decision. Cllr Carr

12. ONLINE STORAGE OF INFORMATION

After some discussion Cllr West PROPOSED that we wait for a new project to test how this might work for the Parish Council. AGREED.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

Mr Keith Tyreman has pointed out that two recently dug graves in the burial ground are sinking badly. The Clerk is aware of this, which is due to recent heavy rainfall.

One of the trees on the triangle of land on Horseman Lane appears to be dead, but we will ask the tree surgeon if it can be saved. Cllr Auton

A letter of thanks for our ongoing support with grounds maintenance is received from the Recreation Centre.

14. YORKFIELD LANE

We are informed by the Planning Inspector that the Inquiry, either via Zoom or on site, will not now take place. Instead, the Inspector will look at the site alone and then make a decision based on the statements and whatever other documentation he has received. Parish Council representation at the site meeting will be agreed subject to further considerations.

15. CHRISTMAS 2020

Arrangements for the travelling pantomime and the bauble trail are now in place.

16. ACCOUNTS**Balances at the Bank**

Community Account	£	48,367.40
Business Money Manager Account		21,979.51
	£	70,346.91

Credits to the Account this Month

Interest on Money Manager a/c	£	.55
	£	.55

Accounts to be Paid this Month

1 st Copmanthorpe Scout Group – grant	£	5,000.00
Brighter Gardens		880.00
Sports Turf Services (York) Ltd – Rec Centre		420.00
PKF Littlejohn LLP – audit fee		240.00
Business Stream – allotments		113.30
YLCA – training		45.00
Cllr Megan Taylor – expenses		42.70
P D Greenwell – skip at allotments		150.00
P D Greenwell – salary		397.60
	£	7,288.60

The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Taylor.
SECONDED by Cllr Auton. ALL IN FAVOUR.

17. AUDIT 2019-20

The Audit is now concluded and we have the External Auditor's Report which will be added to the information already on the website.

18. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Yorkfield Lane
Artwork on the railway bridge

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 12th January 2021 at 7.30 pm, via Zoom, and will be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm

A Meeting of the Finance Committee will take place on Tuesday, 5th January 2021 at 6.30 pm via Zoom.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

Signed Date